

I claim:

1. A power implement support device for vehicular mounting comprising:

an implement support assembly including an implement support member and a pivotal support member mounted thereto;

5 a base support member for mounting to a vehicle adjacent an operator seat thereof, said base support member having said pivotal support member pivotably mounted thereto for movement of said implement support member between an implement use position and an implement access position; and

10 a latching assembly having a first portion mounted to said implement support assembly and a second portion for mounting to the vehicle to selectively retain said implement support member in said use position.

15 2. A power implement support device according to claim 1 wherein said implement support assembly includes a generally planar platform for implement support.

20 3. A power implement support device according to claim 1 wherein said implement support assembly includes a generally vertical support member projecting outwardly from said one of said implement support member and said pivotal support member.

4. A power implement support device according to claim 3 wherein said implement support assembly further includes at least one generally horizontally-oriented support member mounted to said generally vertically-oriented support member at a position vertically spaced from said implement support member.

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5. A power implement support device according to claim 1 and further comprising a throttle control mechanism for a power implement, said throttle control mechanism being mounted to one of said implement support member and said pivotal support member.

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6. A power implement support device according to claim 1 wherein said first portion of said latching assembly includes a curved member pivotally mounted to one of said implement support member and said pivotal support member and said second portion of said latching assembly includes a stop bar for selective engagement and
15 disengagement by said curved member.

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7. A power implement support device according to claim 6 wherein said curved member is mounted to one of said implement support member and said pivotal support member for pivotal movement of said curved member in a generally vertical
20 manner.

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8. A power implement support device according to claim 7 wherein said first portion of said latching assembly includes a lifting member mounted to said curved member to assist said pivotal movement of said curved member.

5 9. A power implement support device according to claim 8 wherein said stop member includes a ramped surface for engagement by said lifting member to assist said curved member to override said stop member during latching.

10. A power implement support device for vehicular mounting comprising:

10 an implement support assembly including an implement support platform, a pivotal support member mounted thereto, a generally vertical support member projecting outwardly from said one of said implement support platform and said pivotal support member, and at least one generally horizontally-oriented support member mounted to said generally
15 vertically-oriented support member at a position vertically spaced from said implement support platform;

a base support member for mounting to a vehicle adjacent an operator seat thereof, said base support member having said pivotal support member pivotably mounted thereto for movement of said
20 implement support member between an implement use position and an implement access position; and

a latching assembly having a first portion mounted to said implement support assembly and a second portion for mounting to the

vehicle to selectively retain said implement support member in said use position, said first portion including a curved member pivotally mounted to one of said implement support member and said pivotal support member; and with said second portion including a stop bar for selective engagement and disengagement by said curved member, and wherein said curved member is mounted to one of said implement support member and said pivotal support member for pivotal movement of said curved member in a generally vertical manner.

11. A power implement support device according to claim 10 and further comprising a throttle control mechanism for a power implement, said throttle control mechanism being mounted to one of said implement support member and said pivotal support member.

12. A power implement support device according to claim 10 wherein said first portion of said latching assembly includes a lifting member mounted to said curved member to assist said pivotal movement of said curved member.

13. A power implement support device according to claim 12 wherein said stop member includes a ramped surface for engagement by said lifting member to assist said curved member to override said stop member during latching.

14. A leaf blower support device for mounting to a lawn vehicle, said leaf blower support device comprising:

5 a blower support assembly including an blower support platform, a pivotal support member mounted thereto, a generally vertical support member projecting outwardly from said one of said blower support platform and said pivotal support member, and at least one generally horizontally-oriented support member mounted to said generally vertically-oriented support member at a position vertically spaced from said implement support platform for engagement by any straps associated with
10 the blower;

a base support member for mounting to the lawn vehicle adjacent an operator seat thereof said base support member having said pivotal support member pivotably mounted thereto for movement of said blower support member between a blower use position and a blower starting
15 position; and

a latching assembly having a first portion mounted to said blower support assembly and a second portion for mounting to the lawn vehicle to selectively retain said blower support platform in said blower use position, wherein said first portion includes a curved member pivotally mounted to
20 one of said implement support member and said pivotal support member and wherein said second portion includes a stop bar for selective engagement and disengagement by said curved member, and wherein said curved member is mounted to one of said blower support platform

and said pivotal support member for pivotal movement of said curved member in a generally vertical manner for latching engagement with and disengagement from said stop bar.

5 15. A leaf blower support device according to claim 14 and further comprising a throttle control mechanism for the blower, said throttle control mechanism being mounted to one of said blower support platform and said pivotal support member.

10 16. A leaf blower support device according to claim 14 wherein said first portion of said latching assembly includes a lifting member mounted to said curved member to assist said pivotal movement of said curved member.

15 17. A leaf blower support device according to claim 16 wherein said stop member included a ramped surface for engagement by said lifting member to assist said curved member to override said stop member during latching.